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## Cactus District Weekly Update

September 4, 2015



Welcome to this week's Cactus District Weekly Update!

[Cactus District Website](#)

### City Offices Will Close Monday, September 7 in Observance of Labor Day.

City of Glendale offices will close Monday, Sept. 7 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. All scheduled residential garbage pick-up and recycling will be shifted one day due to the holiday. Please note that the garbage pick-up will be shifted one day for the entire week.

The schedule for garbage pick-up is as follows:

- Monday (9/7) to Tuesday (9/8)
- Tuesday (9/8) to Wednesday (9/9)

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### Cactus District Amenities



- Wednesday (9/9) to Thursday (9/10)
- Thursday (9/10) to Friday (9/11)
- Friday (9/11) to Saturday (9/12)

Only Gus Bus One will run, operating on a Sunday schedule from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

For Dial-a-Ride service that day, reservations must be made by noon on Friday, Sept. 4, by calling 623-930-3500. No same-day service on Monday, Sept. 7 will be available.

Valley Metro buses will operate on a Sunday schedule.

Glendale's three public libraries will be closed, as well as the Glendale Convention and Visitors Bureau. Glendale's Foothills Recreation and Aquatics Center will remain open on the holiday, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information on the recreation center, call 623-930-4600.

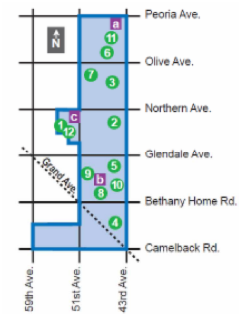
For additional information on the city of Glendale's programs and services, visit [www.glendaleaz.com](http://www.glendaleaz.com).

### SAVE THE DATE - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

I invite all Cactus District residents to my upcoming Cactus District Meeting that will be on Thursday, October 22 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Manistee Ranch, 5127 W. Northern. Please let your neighbors know. I look forward to seeing you there!

**A Beary Special Day in Historic Downtown Glendale September 12.** For more than 100 years, teddy bears have been beloved by generations of children and adults, alike. Teddy bear fans can head to Historic Downtown Glendale and Catlin Court on Saturday, September 12 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. to celebrate National Teddy Bear Day.

Begin the day at the Glendale Visitor Center and pick up a map and West Valley Information pack (for the first 200 visitors) and take a spin on the prize wheel. Visit boutique stores, specialty shops, and downtown eateries for special offers and



Cactus District Amenities

**Vice Mayor Hugh Attended League of Arizona and Towns (LACT) in Tucson.** Vice Mayor Hugh like to say thank you to Michael Bidwell who se to the LACT Conference.



**Vice Mayor Hugh posing with Big Red**



discounts. Ollie the Trolley will be cruising through downtown Glendale to offer free rides in the area, including stops at Cerreta Candy Company.

The Visitor Center will be accepting new teddy bears (12-18" in size) to benefit the Glendale Fire Department Trauma Teddy Program, the Glendale Crisis Response Team and local children's charities. Teddy bears will be available for purchase during the event at the Visitor Center for just \$10, to be taken home and loved or donated to the teddy bear drive.

For additional information, call the Glendale CVB at 623-930-4500 or visit [visitglendale.com](http://visitglendale.com).

### Coffee with a Cop

Join your neighbors and Police Officer for Coffee and Conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

For more information call Crime Prevention Specialist Doreen Anderson at 623-695-0440.

**September 15, 2015**

9 a.m.

Denny's at 4303 W. Peoria Ave.

**October 19, 2015**

6 p.m.

Submarino's at 7910 N. 43 Ave Suite 6

### The Glendale City Council Sponsors City-Wide Code Information Meeting.

The Glendale City Council is hosting a city-wide code compliance information meeting for Glendale residents and business owners. The meeting will provide residents and business owners the opportunity to identify potential code violations and to learn how to build or improve their property in compliance with the City of Glendale's building and safety code requirements. All are invited to attend the meeting which will be held at **6:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 16** at the Glendale Main Library Auditorium, **5959 W Brown St.**, Glendale, AZ 85302.



**Mayor Weiers, Vice Mayor Hugh, Councilmember Tolmachoff and Councilmember Turner laying the Glendale log on the ice at the Gila R Arena.**

### Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors 2015 Fundraiser - Tickets on Sale Now.

Tickets are now on sale for the second annual **Musical Mystery Tour** fundraiser sponsored by the [Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors Foundation](http://GlendaleCivicPrideAmbassadors.org). This year's event is entitled **Sentinel Journey**, featuring the music of the '40s and '50s as a special tribute to Luke Air Force Base who can Glendale, Arizona during that period. The fundraiser event will be held on Saturday evening, October 10, on the DeVry University Sky Patio, overlooking and with a spectacular view of the West Valley of the **Musical Mystery Tour** is to raise money for [Upward for Children and Families](http://UpwardforChildrenandFamilies.org), whose mission is to "bring joy and hope to the children they serve."

The Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors (GCPA) was organized to help promote economic, social and cultural vitality for Glendale and the surrounding area. The GCPA raises funds to help the region's worthwhile charitable organizations through the GCPA Foundation. The GCPA has donated more than \$300,000 to charity in the past decade.

Upward for Children and Families, a United Way organization, provides special education and therapies, including speech, feeding and swallowing, music, occupational physical, for children and adults with developmental disabilities. For more information about the 20th Musical Mystery Tour, visit [www.musicalmysterytour.org](http://www.musicalmysterytour.org) or contact **Nancy Lenox** at 602-568-6202 or by email at [nancy@upwardforchildren.org](mailto:nancy@upwardforchildren.org).

The City Council will be joined by Sam McAllen, Development Services Director, and his staff from the Code Enforcement and Building Safety Divisions.

Presentations from city staff will include examples of neighborhood code violations related to property maintenance, abandoned vehicles, garage sales, etc., and explain how to get these violations resolved. Staff will also discuss when and how to get building permits for a variety of home improvement projects which residents may be considering. Staff will be available to privately and confidentially answer questions from residents who may wish to report code violations in their neighborhoods.

For more information, please contact the Glendale City Council Office at 623-930-2250.

**Got Drugs? Safely Dispose of Them!** The Glendale Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration are providing residents an opportunity to safely and conveniently dispose of expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical substances and other medications. Controlled, non-controlled and over the counter substances will be accepted on Saturday, **September 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 W. Brown Street, North parking lot area.

\*Glass containers, inhalers, intra-venous solutions, injectable and syringes **CANNOT** be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood-borne pathogens\*

For more information about this event, contact Officer Jeff Horsley at 623-930-4029 or Officer Andy Lynes at 623-930-2554.

**Glendale Police Department Shred Event.** Saturday, **October 3 from 8 to 11 a.m.** at Target, 10404 N. 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Southwest Parking Lot Area. Four (4) banker boxes limit per household. Due to demand, event may conclude if trucks are full. For further information contact Doreen Anderson, Crime

[nancylenox@cox.net](mailto:nancylenox@cox.net). To purchase tickets, call 5801. Seating is limited, so please make your reservations early.

**Registration Now Taking Place For More Than 100 Classes for the Fall Session.** Glendale Parks and Recreation offers more than 100 classes for adults, teens and youth in the areas of arts, cooking, fitness, sports, well-being, music, dance and personal development. All the class information can be found in the *Glendale @Play* magazine available at [www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation/magazine](http://www.glendaleaz.com/ParksandRecreation/magazine) or the Glendale libraries, Glendale Adult Center and the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center.

**Ongoing Drop-in Exercise Classes at the Glendale Adult Center 5970 W. Brown St.**

Classes adapted for older adults. \$5 per class drop-in fee. For more information call 623-930-4321 or visit [www.glendaleaz.com/adultcenter](http://www.glendaleaz.com/adultcenter).





Prevention Specialist at 623-930-4044.

### **Glendale Celebrates 100 Years of Water**

**Service.** The Glendale Water Services Department invites you to celebrate 100 years of water services for the City of Glendale. In 1915 the Town of Glendale purchased Floyd Sine's private water company which continues to provide a safe and reliable source of water to Glendale residents. The celebration, called "Glendale Water: Celebrating a Century of Service" will be held on Saturday, **October 3** from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Attendees will go back in time by touring historic Sahuaro Ranch Park from 9 to 9:45 a.m. and then head over to the Main Library for refreshments, presentations, and information booths from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

After the presentations, attendees will receive free desert-friendly plants as well as water- and energy-saving household devices.

### **Glendale Offers Residents Free HOA**

**Training.** The City of Glendale is continuing its partnership with Mulcahy Law Firm to offer another HOA Academy this fall to residents. This unique opportunity provides Glendale residents and HOA leaders an opportunity to learn about relevant issues facing neighborhoods and learn answers from specialists in the field.

This training will be taught by HOA attorneys from the Mulcahy Law Firm, P.C., along with the Glendale Police Crime Prevention Department. The classes are free to Glendale residents and only \$20 for non-residents.

The curriculum for this four week series is derived from top concerns and requests made by Glendale HOA leaders, including:

- How to Handle Rentals in Community Associations and How to Build "Community" in HOAs



- Does your Association have Drones?  
Nuisance Issues in the Association
- Budgeting for Community Associations
  - Audits, Compilations, Reviews -
  - Contracts
- Safety, Crime and Vandalism  
Prevention

The classes will be held at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St. on Tuesdays, from October 13 to November 3, from 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Registration for the HOA training is currently open. Early registration is encouraged as only a limited number of seats are available. To register, contact Parks, Recreation & Neighborhood Services at 623-930-2820 or sign up online at [www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation](http://www.glendaleaz.com/parksandrecreation) and use code # 474099-03.

**Libraries Expand Online Service with New Partnership.** Glendale Public Library announced availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums, eBooks, audiobooks and comics via mobile and online access through a new partnership with Hoopla Digital.

Glendale library card holders can now download the free Hoopla Digital mobile app on their Android or IOS device or by visiting [www.hoopladigital.com](http://www.hoopladigital.com). Available content includes thousands of titles - from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers - available to borrow 24/7 for instant streaming or temporary downloading to smartphones, tablets and computers.

Library patrons can enjoy dynamic content from the library on-the-go and being digital, there is no waiting period for popular titles and Hoopla's automatic return means no late fees. Hoopla Digital is a service of Midwest Tape, a trusted partner to public libraries for more than 25 years.



**Valley Metro West Phoenix/Central  
Glendale High Capacity Transit Study  
Information. What is the timeline for the  
West Phoenix/Central Glendale Project?**

As you may know, Valley Metro has a study underway to identify transit options to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system. The project is scheduled for operations in 2026, but critical decisions are being made in the current study to determine a route and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit). That study will conclude in early 2016 with a vote by the Glendale and Phoenix City Councils. We want to hear from you! To learn more about the project and how you can provide input, visit [valleymetro.org/Glendale](http://valleymetro.org/Glendale).

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